

United States Senate Youth Program

Each year, the U.S. Senate and the William Randolph Hearst Foundation collectively sponsor the **United States Senate Youth Program** (USSYP). This annual scholarship competition provides 104 selected student delegates, two high school student representatives from each state and the District of Columbia, with an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. and a \$5,000 dollar scholarship applicable to any college in the United States. Selected students will have the chance to interact with high ranking elected officials, learn about Senate history and procedures, visit many Washington D.C. landmarks, and in most occasions, the opportunity to attend a reception at the White House with the U.S. President. The student delegates, in addition to ranking academically in the top one percent of their state, have exemplary leadership qualities and a strong dedication to public service.

Please note that students must be nominated by their high school principal to be considered for the USSYP. Students are unable to apply for the USSYP directly. The application deadline for the 2012 USSYP is Friday, October 7, 2011. Interested students should contact their high school principal or the Connecticut Selection Administrator, Dr. Stephen Hoag, Director of CTE Statewide Assessment, Connecticut Department of Education, at (860) 713-6764.